



# Mays Community Academy

February 2017

## Important Dates

February 9-16: Book Fair  
February 14: Valentine's Day Parties  
February 14: Sweethearts Breakfast  
February 15-16: Parent-Teacher Conferences  
February 17: No school for students.  
February 20: Snow make -up day

February 21: Abe Lincoln Convocation  
February 27: ISTEP Applied Skills

We will have school on February 20<sup>th</sup> due to a snow make up day.



## Valentine's Day Parties

Classrooms will have Valentine's Day parties. If you are unable to purchase Valentine's for your child please contact Mrs. New for assistance. Teachers will be sending home class lists. Please check your child's book bag.



## Book Fair

The book fair will be held February 9<sup>th</sup> thru the 16<sup>th</sup>. The book fair will be open during Parent-Teacher Conferences as well as the Sweetheart Breakfast. Please check your child's book bag for more information.

## Sweethearts Breakfast

MCA will hold its first annual Sweethearts Breakfast on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, or a family friend are welcome to attend with your child. The book fair will be open at this time.

## Electronics

Electronics are not allowed at school or on the bus. Your child may keep them in their book bag, but may not get them out. If an adult sees your child with their electronics, they will be taken and given to Mrs. New.

## Gum

Gum is not allowed at school unless given by the classroom teacher. We are finding gum on lunch trays and furniture. If students are found doing this they will be made to clean it up.

**Please make any changes to your child's after school routine BEFORE 3PM. It can be difficult to accommodate changes made close to dismissal.**

Mrs. Shannon New  
Feel free to call or text any time that you need me!  
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(317) 919-5347 (CELL) / (765) 645-5577 (WORK)



## Alert 2.0

A parent letter was sent home regarding our new alert system. If you would like to receive alerts, please follow the directions on this paper. Also, please update your information in the school office. This will insure that you receive all important information that MCA sends.

## Immunizations

After a student turns 11 they are required to be immunized for meningitis. This must be done before students are allowed to enter middle school.



## Other Info

### Grading Scales

#### Grades K-2

90-100	M (Full Mastery)
70-89	PM (Partial Mastery)
69>	NM (Non-Mastery)

#### Grades 3-6

99-100	A+
93-98	A
90-92	A-
88-89	B+
83-87	B
80-82	B-
77-79	C+
73-76	C
70-72	C-
67-69	D+
63-66	D
60-62	D-
59>	F



## Communication & Social Media

Facebook is a very useful tool for communication and collaboration. We love sharing on our page! However, we ask that if you have an issue or a concern to please communicate directly with your child's teacher and/or Mrs. New before taking your concerns to a public forum. Where emotions are involved, we should take a step back and reflect before we post. Situations are better dealt with one-on-one. We want to help and eliminate any worries or concerns. We appreciate your cooperation!

## Emergency & Weather Alerts

We use WISH-TV's notification system for all school cancellations, 2-hour delays, early dismissals, etc. We encourage you to subscribe to this service (it's free!). Visit <http://wishtv.com/more/text-alerts/> to sign up.

## Background Checks

These are good for 3 years. If you would like to volunteer, please go to the below link. This must be done from a computer. It will not work from your phone.  
<https://secure.safehiringsolutions.com/app.cfm?id=7585E441-D475-432D-A121-9F26207D1CF7>

## Classroom Visits

Please contact the office or your child's teacher if you would like to visit the classroom. We welcome parent visits, but because we are focused on academic excellence we know you respect what disruptions do to our focus. Just let us know when you are coming and we will be ready!



## Cold Weather is HERE...

Please make sure your child comes prepared for outside recess. All students will go outside unless we have a note for your doctor. We go outside unless the temperature and/or wind chill is below 22 degrees. If you need assistance with winter clothing, please call or email me.

## Texting Your Teacher

MCA prides itself on communication. Please call, text, or send a note with your child when you need something. We will respond within 24 hours. Please keep in mind that our teachers do have lives outside of school. Please do not text or call after 9:00pm.